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PREVALENCE OF THE GRIP.

While there is said to be a decrease in the number of cases of grip and pneumonia in Alexandria, conditions are nevertheless serious and of a nature to cause apprehension. People are still being prostrated and some are dying. It is, however, believed by those having the epidemic in charge that it has passed its crest and that a more rapid decrease in cases and deaths will soon follow.

Alexandria's experience during the past few weeks has been more serious than at any other time in its history. Most of the victims of the scourge have been comparatively young people, or those under forty years of age.

There has been much to add to our ordinary anxieties of late. The city physicians have been overworked and some of them have been prostrated by the scourge. The druggists have been on their feet for many hours at a time and undertakers have been kept steadily on the go. The ministers of the gospel have had all they could do to minister unto the sick and conduct funerals.

To add to the general distress it was stated today that the supply of drugs used in cases of grip was running low.

Our city, however, has not been called upon to suffer any more severely than other places in the commonwealth. The flu has spread in every direction and many have died in our state. In some places conditions have been much more serious than those in Alexandria.

The angel of death, however, is still intruding himself into our homes cutting down members of families here and there, although his visits show a diminution.

In this terrible visitation the saying "The young may, the old must," seems to be reversed. As stated above, most of those who have fallen under the strokes of the grim reaper are young people.

We can only await a time with patience when normal conditions shall have returned and the doleful rumble of the hearse becomes less frequent.

THE PRESIDENT'S ANSWER

This is a liberty world. And there is naught that can be of glory and sweet and truth That is not made free. We are not breakers of bonds, And ages and ages still We shall strive at the forge of dreams And the anvil of will To set some holy desire At liberty out of its chains— For only in hearts of the free True happiness reigns, And only the free can be wise And only the free be strong As under the sun and the rains They float unto song.

—Exchange.

President Wilson has flatly and finally rejected the peace overtures of the German Chancellor. He has announced to Germany and to the world that no peace can be made with the Hohenzollern regime, and that not even a truce in the fighting will be considered as long as the "armed forces of Germany continue the illegal and inhuman practices which they still persist in."

This decision was reached by the President within a few hours from the time the official text of the second

German note was laid before him, a note which, on its face, accepted every demand which the President had voiced, but which in reality was a colossal hoax conceived in the desperate hope of saving to the German Emperor his throne.

The President's answer leaves the door open, to use the familiar metaphor. It leaves the door open to the German people if they will kick out upon which they can have peace. If they elect to continue the war longer they will pay the penalty.

A terrible significance is given to it by the statement given out coincidentally at the White House that this nation will continue to send 250,000 soldiers to Europe monthly.

The President in his decision has ended all danger of further peace offensives from Germany, in so far as they might affect the morale of the United States and our allies. He has put the matter squarely up to the enemy. If it comes back with counter proposals they will be rejected.

As one official explained the President's note:

"It is not a reply. It is his decision. That is the end of it."

HUN CRUELTY.

Burning and blowing up Cambrai and other towns from which the Germans are obliged to retreat, sinking of passenger steamers, shelling of lifeboats, and drowning women and children at the very moment when they are asking an armistice and proposing to talk peace, would be incredible if the Germans had not done so many incredible things since the beginning of this war. What sort of minds have the men who govern Germany, to use torch and explosives on the territory from which the Americans, British and French drive them, at the same time that they are asking the President "to take in hand the restoration of peace?"

There is a growing demand among our European Allies, as well as among ourselves, that justice shall be done on individual Germans. As an exchange says, no one supposes that William II will be left on the German throne, and the Kaiser is quite right if he believes the Crown Prince to be more obnoxious to the Allies than he is. The sound of the cannon in this last and tremendous drive rises the voice of the whole civilized world, demanding that the German officers responsible for the outrages and the crimes and the bestiality committed in Belgium and France shall be put to death.

The Allies will have sufficient means to compel Germany to pay the bills and surrender at least a representative portion of the grosser criminals. German armies occupied France till the last of the indemnity was paid. Whether peace is made at the Rhine or at Potsdam, Allied troops will occupy Germany till the restoration is paid for and an example is made upon the gallows of the most brutal of the military commanders.

WHAT THE KAISER CAN DO

Rumors that the Kaiser has abdicated, or has decided to abdicate, may have no other foundation than the obvious necessity of that course. But even so, the rumors are of some significance, and they may have more substantial foundation.

One can hardly imagine the Kaiser after this war living in Potsdam, driving through Berlin, hunting in the Black Forest and going to Wilhelmshaven to board his yacht for a cruise to Germany that forces on those terms, which alone would guarantee the world from a repetition of her crimes against war with America.

But besides this, there is, what may have been generally overlooked, the demand of the President made on several occasions for his abdication. In his address of January 8 the President said:

"Neither do we presume to suggest to her (Germany) any alteration or modification of her institutions. But it is necessary, we must frankly say, and necessary as a preliminary to any intelligent dealings with her on our part, that we should know whom her spokesmen speak for when they speak to us, whether for the Reichstag majority, or for the military party and the men whose creed is imperial domination."

Here is a plain intimation from the President that we will not make peace with the Kaiser. Mr. Lloyd George said in his Glasgow speech in June, 1917, that the Allies would be more likely to accept the peace engagements of the representatives of the people than of the Kaiser. In his speech of September 27 the President said: "The German people must by this time be fully aware that we cannot accept the word of those who forced this war upon us." And in his note of October 8 the President asked "whether the Imperial Chancellor is speaking merely for the constituted authorities of the Empire who have so far conducted the war."

What are these but demands that the Kaiser shall remove himself and leave the Allies to deal with the Reichstag or with a popular convention, whose action might be assumed to be that of the German people?—Philadelphia Record.

NO ARMISTICE IN SIGHT

Distrust of Hun's Good Faith Dominant in England.

London, Oct. 15.—It is learned in authoritative quarters, says Reuters, Limited, that there is no prospect of an early armistice as the result of Germany's overtures.

Further, it is stated, when the time is ripe for considering the question, an armistice will not be granted or even considered without the accompanying naval and military guarantees that Germany is not merely ready to sheathe the sword, but is absolutely powerless to resume hostilities.

The London newspapers are publishing numerous interviews with leading men of all classes of publication life on the German reply to President Wilson. The dominant note throughout these is distrust of Germany's good faith, with a belief that she is intent only on saving her armies from inevitable destruction and robbing the Allies of the fruits of victory.

General approval is expressed of the reserved manner in which the reply has been received by the public at large, among which the news of the proposed armistice evoked feelings not of rejoicing but of anxiety lest anything be done which would jeopardize a just recompense for the terrible sacrifice made. Nowhere has there been any flying of flags nor has there been any ringing of bells.

Public feeling on the subject has been especially affected by the sinking of the Leinster, Thus T. P. O'Connor speaking at Whitefield's Tabernacle yesterday declared it was impossible to approach the subject of peace with a cool mind in view of the horror and rage excited in every Irishman's and every Englishman's mind by the whole sale murder of women and children and other innocent civilians in the sinking of the Leinster.

The Allies, he declared, must apply separate peace through the United States, in order to protect her own interest, Turkey not being officially at

war and an armistice should not be allowed which would convert a disastrous defeat and perhaps a wholesale surrender of the German armies on the battle field into a leisurely and safe guaranteed retreat, for that would enable the new race of militarists to claim that they had led Germany not to defeat but to victory.

TURKEY SEEKS PEACE.

Owing to Military Situation Pasha Forced to Come to Terms With Entente.

Amsterdam, Oct. 15.—The first step taken by the new Turkish Cabinet, headed by Tewfik Pasha, says a dispatch from Vienna under date of Sunday to the Weser Zeitung, was to dispatch a note to Austria-Hungary to the effect that owing to the military situation Turkey was obliged to conclude a separate peace with the Entente.

The Central Powers requested Turkey to await the result of the exchange of notes with President Wilson, but no reply so far has been received from Turkey.

KAISER MUST ABDICATE

Zurich, Oct. 15.—The Socialist congress at Munich unanimously adopted a resolution favoring the abdication of the Kaiser and the Crown Prince, according to the Munich Nachrichten.

ASK U. S. PROTECTION

Amsterdam, Oct. 15.—Luxemburg has appealed to President Wilson to protect its national rights and demands the evacuation of its territory by Germany, said a dispatch received here.

Luxemburg is an important grand duchy on the western frontier of Germany. It was overrun at the same time as Belgium.

ONE MAN HOLDS UP BANK

Bandit in Broad Daylight Gets \$5000 and Escapes in Auto

York, Pa., Oct. 15.—The Farmers' State Bank at Hallam was robbed of \$5000 yesterday afternoon by a burglar, who, at the point of a revolver, forced the cashier, W. C. Blessinger, and his two assistants into the vault and escaped in an automobile. After he had possession of the money the burglar informed the bank employees that he would not lock the vault door on them provided they remained in the bank 20 minutes. This they promised to do.

WILL LOOK AFTER "FLU"

Dr. W. L. Wood, of United States Public Service, Will Direct Work in Virginia.

Dr. W. L. Wood, special state health officer and also of the United States Public Health Service has been appointed to take charge of the influenza situation in the state of Virginia by the U. S. Public Health Service. Dr. Wood will open an office in Richmond. However, he will still continue to direct this office and have an assistant here. His territory will include the entire state with the exception of three cities.

AUSTRIA PESSIMISTIC

Fears Treachery by Germany Seeking Peace to Save Herself.

Geneva, Oct. 15.—The tone of the German press is quite optimistic, as compared with the Austrian, which considers that Germany is working for her own salvation and seeking a separate peace through the United States, in order to protect her own interest, Turkey not being officially at

TELLS KAISER TO GO

Nuremberg Tagespost Makes Flat Demand for His Abdication.

Zurich, Switzerland, Oct. 15.—In an extraordinary outspoken article the Frankische Tagespost, the Nuremberg Socialist organ, flatly demands the abdication of the German Emperor. It declares that the responsibility for the present situation rests on him and says that as the military system is about to collapse, he must be the last of the military monarchs.

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